

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Ken Yoshida (Reg. #37,009) on 25 October 2005.

The application has been amended as follows:

- a. In claim 6, line 3, **change** "use of the" **to** "use of a".
- b. In claim 11, line 19, **change** "front side image;" **to** "front side image; and".
- c. In claim 11, line 21, **change** "front side image; and" **to** "front side image,".
- d. In claim 16, line 4, **change** "use of the distribution" **to** "use of a distribution".

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

2. Since Applicant's proposed amendments are made simply to comply with the suggestions made by Examiner in the previous office action, dated 09 June 2005, the **proposed amendments are hereby entered.**

Response to Arguments

3. Applicant's arguments, filed 26 September 2005, with respect to the prior art rejections of the claims and the objections to the claims have been fully considered and are persuasive. Applicant has complied Examiner's suggestion to incorporate the limitations dependent claims 5 and 15, which were found to contain allowable subject matter, into their corresponding independent base claims, while also incorporating the limitations of any intervening claims. The prior art rejections of the claims and objections to the claims listed in said previous office action have been withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 1, 2, 4, 6-14, 16-20 and 22 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: On page 18 (item 12) of said previous office action, Examiner noted allowable subject matter. The reasons are ultimately given in items 9-10 on pages 17-18 of the office action dated 19 November 2004. Since Applicant has rewritten dependent claims 5 and 15 in independent form including all of the limitations of their corresponding base claims and any

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intervening claims, the independent claims are therefore allowable. Furthermore, Examiner has been unable to find any additional art that anticipates and/or renders obvious the present claims. Examiner also would like to point out an unintentional typographical oversight in said previous office action. Page 18, line 12 of said previous office action should properly read "Examiner has been unable to find any additional references".

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to James A. Thompson whose telephone number is 571-272-7441. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30AM-5:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David K. Moore can be reached on 571-272-7437. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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